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**FROM:** Deputy Director, Plans

**SUBJECT:** Study on Pathet Lao-Royal Laothian Government  
Negotiations

1. Forwarded herewith for your information is a study on the Pathet Lao-Royal Laothian Government Negotiations and the agreements of August 1956, compiled as an illustration of the techniques of international Communism in negotiations and advance toward control of a government.

2. At the time of drafting paragraph four of the Foreword and paragraph ten of the second section of this paper it appeared likely that the Royal Laothian Government would be unable to resist substantial concessions to the Pathet Lao in the implementation of the August, 1956 agreements. Since that time government resistance to a deal with the Communists has stiffened and, although the

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situation is still in flux, the danger of positive action bringing the Communists into the army, administration and government of Laos appears, as of March 1957, to have become less imminent.

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